

including metropolitan Atlanta. Control infants are randomly selected from birth certificates or birth hospital records. Mothers of case and control infants are interviewed using a computer-assisted telephone interview. The interview is estimated to take one hour. A maximum of thirty-six hundred interviews are planned, 2,700 cases and 900 controls, resulting in a maximum interview burden of 3,600 hours for all Centers.

Parents are also asked to collect cheek cells from themselves and their infants for DNA testing. The collection of cheek

cells by the mother, father, and infant is estimated to take about 10 minutes per person. Each person will be asked to rub 1 brush inside the left cheek and 1 brush inside the right cheek for a total of 2 brushes per person. Collection of the cheek cells takes approximately 1–2 minutes, but the estimate of burden is 10 minutes to account for reading and understanding the consent form and specimen collection instructions and mailing back the completed kits. The anticipated maximum burden for

collection of the cheek cells is 1,800 hours.

Information gathered from both the interviews and the DNA specimens will be used to study independent genetic and environmental factors as well as gene-environment interactions for a broad range of carefully classified birth defects.

There are no costs to the respondents other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden is 5,400 hours.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

| Respondents | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Avg. burden per response (In hours) |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| NBDPS case/control interview | 3,600 | 1 | 1 |
| Biologic Specimen Collection | 10,800 | 1 | 10/60 |

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call 404–639–5960 and send comments to Maryam I. Daneshvar, CDC Acting Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS–D74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an e-mail to omb@cdc.gov.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have

practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

Chagas Disease knowledge, attitude, practices (KAP) study of physicians—New—Coordinating Center for Infectious Disease (CCID), National Center for Zoonotic, Vector-borne, and Enteric Diseases (NCZVED), Division of Parasitic Diseases (DPD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The Division of Parasitic Diseases is proposing a knowledge, attitudes, and practices (KAP) study to determine the level of physician awareness and understanding of Chagas disease. Chagas disease is a blood-borne parasitic disease, found only in the Americas, and spread through contact with the triatomine bug. Chagas disease can also be contracted through blood transfusion, organ transplantation, and from mother to child congenitally. This disease is not spread through person-to-person contact. Chagas disease can cause serious heart and stomach illness; for some patients, treatment with

antiparasitic medications prevents these serious complications and may eliminate the infection. The hypothesis of this research study is that there will be a dramatic Chagas disease knowledge deficit among physicians. In the first 20 months of blood donor screening for Chagas disease, at least 624 positive blood donors were identified. Currently, only about 10% of blood donors with Chagas disease are receiving treatment medication. It is suspected that most physicians are not familiar with this disease and this may negatively impact patient care: (1) When positive blood donors see their healthcare provider, (2) when organs and tissues are transplanted unknowingly from infected donors, and (3) when infected mothers give birth to babies without screening for Chagas disease. This KAP study will survey physicians in areas where there may be more patients with Chagas disease. The survey will be sent to all physician members of several partner organizations. Results will be analyzed in order to develop physician education material. That material will then be sent to all members. Subsequently, a second follow-up survey, very similar to the initial one, will be sent in order to determine levels of knowledge change. The data collected by this study will allow DPD to understand, and consequently develop and appropriately target medical educational material to address, Chagas disease knowledge deficits of physicians.

There is no cost to respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

| Respondents | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average burden per response (in hours) | Total burden (in hours) |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Physicians | 300 | 2 | 3/60 | 30 |

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Human Genome Research Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Human Genome Research Institute Special Emphasis Panel Site Visit (Stanford University).

Date: December 12, 2008.

Time: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5635 Fishers Lane, Suite 4076, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Keith McKenney, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, NHGRI, 5635 Fishers Lane, Suite 4076, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301-594-4280, mckenneyk@mail.nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Targeted Clinical Trials to Reduce the Risk of Antimicrobial Resistance.

Date: December 15, 2008.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: Crowne Plaza—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Lynn Rust, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-402-3938, lr228v@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Targeted Clinical Trials to Reduce the Risk of Antimicrobial Resistance.

Date: December 16, 2008.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: Crowne Plaza—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Lynn Rust, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-402-3938, lr228v@nih.gov.

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Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of Biotechnology Activities, Office of Science Policy, Office of the Director; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the meeting of the National Science Advisory Board for Biosecurity (NSABB). Under authority 42 U.S.C. 217a, Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services established NSABB to provide advice, guidance and leadership regarding federal oversight of dual use research, defined as biological research with legitimate scientific purposes that could be misused to pose a biological threat to public health and/or national security.

The meeting will be open to the public, however pre-registration is strongly recommended due to space limitations. Persons planning to attend should register online at www.biosecurityboard.gov/meetings.asp or by calling Capital Consulting Corporation (Contact: Sandra Bromberg at 301-468-6004, ext. 406). Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should indicate these requirements upon registration.

Name of Committee: National Science Advisory Board for Biosecurity

Date: December 10, 2008

Open: 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: Presentations and discussions regarding: (1) Preliminary findings and recommendations on strategies to optimize programs of personnel reliability for individuals with access to select agents and toxins; (2) brief overview of Public